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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1 - 9. (canceled).

10. (previously presented): A method for protecting liver functions of a mammal, which reduces an increase in GPT or GOT activity in blood, and which comprises administering to a mammal a composition for protecting liver functions,

said composition comprising reduced coenzyme Q represented by formula (1):

(wherein n represents an integer in the range of 1 to 12).

11. (previously presented): A method for protecting liver functions of a mammal, which reduces an increase in GPT or GOT activity in blood, and which comprises orally administering a composition for protecting liver functions, said composition comprising reduced coenzyme Q represented by formula (1):

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OH
$$H_3CO \longrightarrow CH_3$$

$$H_5CO \longrightarrow (CH_2CHC(CH_5)CH_2)_{\pi}H$$

$$OH$$

$$OH$$

$$(1)$$

(wherein n represents an integer in the range of 1 to 12).

12 - 25. (canceled).